Instructions regarding prompt submission of replies in all the matters relating to Human Rights on references received from the NHRC.

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Read: Order of Hon'ble National Human Rights Commission, New Delhi, dated 16.12.2017.

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Hon’ble National Human Rights Commission, New Delhi, in its order dated 16.12.2017, in case No. 2540/13/16/2014 has expressed strong displeasure over the manner and the attitude of the Secretariat of Government of Maharashtra including the Principal Secretaries and other Secretaries of the departments in the matters pertaining to violation of Human Rights. The relevant observations of the Hon’ble National Human Rights Commission are reproduced below:-

“Commission is pained to observe that the secretariat of Government of Maharashtra including the Principal Secretary, Secretary, and other Secretaries of the department are taking the matters pertaining to violation of human rights in a very causal manner. Their lackadaisical attitude is resulting in delay of redressal of the grievances of the public. There would be no need to bother the Chief Secretary in each and every matter if the other officers are sensitive to the rights of the public guaranteed by the constitution. The Commission hopes that Chief Secretary will issue necessary directions to all the Principal Secretaries and others to be prompt in submitting replies in all the matters relating to the human rights on which references are received by them from the NHRC.”

In view of the aforesaid observations of the Hon’ble National Human Rights Commission, all the Additional Chief Secretaries/Principal Secretaries/ Secretaries and the Heads of the departments/Organizations are hereby instructed to be very diligent and prompt in handling the matters pertaining to violation of Human Rights and to be prompt in submitting the replies in all the matters relating to the Human Rights on which references are received by them from the Hon’ble National Human Rights Commission.

The instructions contained hereinabove shall be followed scrupulously. Any failure or deviation therefrom would be viewed seriously.

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By order and in the name of the Governor of Maharashtra.

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